

## MINUTES

The fifteenth meeting of the fifth Senate of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University was called to order at 4:59 PM on February 6, 2007, with the Speaker of the Senate in the chair.

There were 27 of 35 Senators present.

The minutes were read and approved.

*Kayla Shelton made a motion to suspend the Bylaws to move the Presidential nominations to second reading. . There was a second.*

### University Athletics Committee

University Athletics Committee- Ashley Gore

University Athletics Committee- Sara Ratliff

*They passed with unanimous consent.*

### *Executive Appointments to the Student Senate*

*Christian Cullip motioned to vote for Presidential Nominations. There was a second.*

Wes Calhoun

Joseph Millhouse

*He passed with unanimous consent.*

### Executive Approvals

*Committee Head Kayla Shelton motioned to suspend the Bylaws to vote for Executive positions. There was a second.*

Chief of Staff- Ashley Gore

*She passed with unanimous consent.*

*Everyone approved was sworn in under the Oath of Office Article IX.*

### University Committee Approvals

Complaints and Curriculum Committee- Kara Ratliff

Bowling Green City Commission- Keri Anderson

Bowling Green City Commission- Earlene Whitaker

University Publications Committee- Jeanne Johnson

University Publications Committee- Sarah Collins  
University Publications Committee- Johnathon Boles  
University Publications Committee- Skylar Jordan  
University Publications Committee- Earlene Whitaker  
*They were all approved.*

**President – Jeanne L. Johnson**

- Hello everyone.
- Whoever is going to the rally tomorrow please come up to the front desk and look over the information sheets. I spoke with the government relations person and they said the House Bill #1 was vetoed. Please thank our legislators for supporting us! Please don't forget to pick up the sheets. I have printed a few itineraries off for tomorrow. After two the rally will be finished, so during that time please go find a legislator and speak with them about our school. If there is a lot of snow tomorrow then check you email to see if we are still going to go. Don't forget to stay after for some last minute notes about tomorrow.
- Listen Up Legislators was a huge success. Thank you, thank you, thank you! I had a Legislator call me today on my cell phone to say that he had a lot of phone calls from people. If you were not able to get involved try to get involved in next event.
- University Committees have been doing a great job of representing our Student Government Association.
- The University International Committee, which is one I can think of off the top of my head, still needs representation.

**Executive Vice President – Amanda B. Allen**

- Thank you for wearing your Listen Up Legislators shirts. This year we hit the sixty person mark. We had sixty people call in the first day when we were set up at the tables.
- We need a representative for Diversity Council, so if you know anyone who would like to be involved let me know.
- Jami Mann please see me after the meeting.
- If anyone ever needs anything or would like to talk to any of the executives please feel free to stop by our offices or call us at any time. We are always here to help.
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**Administrative Vice President – Cherieth L. Lineweaver**

- Hello. I had a meeting with Jennifer Tougas from the Parking and Transportation yesterday. President Johnson, Senator Bryan, and I are attending the meeting on Friday February 9<sup>th</sup> at seven thirty.
- Stephanie Scott who helps Charley Pride out, is helping me get everything organized.
- Don't forget to come to the game to see Matt Holland win "Coming Home" King.

**Speaker of the Senate – Johnathon Franklin L. Boles**

- Everyone please look to your right and left sides to see who is not here. If you see them, tell them it is very important that they are here.

- Committee heads please meet with me. We are supposed to be meeting at least two times a month. This is why this weeks meeting is through email.
- When you are at the rally tomorrow please talk about your SGA experiences.
- I will be sending a paper around. Please fill out your name, email address, birthday, class year, phone number, and t-shirt size.
- Senator please get involved with a committee and committee heads please don't forget to fill out your reports.

### Staff Reports

#### Chief of Staff: Ashley Gore (Pro Temp)

*Jeanne Johnson spoke on behave of Ashley*

- Thanks for coming to the retreat on Saturday. Sprowles did a good job with the t-shirt and I did the folders.
- I have my office hours posted on my door, but I am always available, mostly on Mondays and Wednesdays.

#### Director of Public Relations: Jonathan Sprowles

- Hello. I am super proud of the people who took a part in Listen Up Legislators. Thank you for participating in Listen Up Legislators. I have to tell a funny story. We were at the tables on Monday and Nate Eaton said the shirts were ugly. I was standing right beside him and he didn't know I made the shirts. It was an awkward moment.
- More on a serious note, since I'm the Director of Public Relations and I have been doing this for so long, I'm running out of ideas and I'm drained. If anyone has an idea I would love to hear from him or her.

#### Director of Academic and Student Affairs: Skylar Jordan

- This has been a very busy week and a very busy day. This time last week I met with Dr. Minter to speak with her about registering for books at the University Bookstore. The bad thing about it is that professors don't know what they are going to teach until at least five weeks after they are suppose to tell the Bookstore what books are going to be used in their classes. We will be getting this resolved soon.
- We are checking into the Gay and Lesbian Resource Center. We would like to find out if there is any more space and if it would benefit our students.
- I will be going to the Kentucky Building to look at old SGA files and Minutes on Thursday. If anyone is interested in joining Johnathon Boles and myself please feel free to come. Sue Lynn is a load of fun!
- Lobbying is cancelled. Kathleen Hennessey tried to get us meetings, but they are all booked up. Hopefully I can get someone in. They go into session at two.
- I will be at the Academic Affairs meeting tonight.
- I would like to say thank you to Hennessey and Feller.

### Committee Reports

## Standing

### Academic Affairs: Lucas Humble

- We had our first meeting last week and it went well. We have one tonight right after the Senate meeting.

### Campus Improvements: Nate Eaton

- We would like to see more people come out.
- There are a bunch of things on the back burner right now. We are working on putting more ashtrays around campus and still looking into new benches.

### Legislative Research Committee: Kendrick Bryan

- We had our first meeting yesterday.
- We have still not been given legislation from our Bill 09-06-F. That's very disappointing. Thank you.

### Public Relations: Josh Fries

- Only one person showed up last week for our meeting. Thanks guys! We are meeting at six downstairs in the Senate Office. We will be throwing around ideas for this semester and working on the bulletin board. If anyone has any ideas then please come down for the meeting or catch Jonathan Sprowles or me.

### Student Affairs: Kayla Shelton

- Yesterday was our meeting and we had a good turnout. We have already talked to the French, Geology, and Pharmacy clubs. They are meeting tonight at seven.
- The Campus Activities Board is meeting tomorrow if anyone would like to go for me, just get with me and let me know.
- I have also talked to HRL and Provide-A-Ride. Thanks!

## *Ad-Hoc*

### Professor Accountability and Evaluations: Earlene Whitaker

- I now have a Vice Chair and Secretary and I'm very excited about that.
- Skylar Jordan and I went and we discussed what we were going to do and how we were going to get legislation on the University Bookstore and the books that are sent back. Students wait to buy their books and when they need them, the Bookstore doesn't have them. We are going to speak with professors and see what their problems are, and then we are going to talk to the manager this week to get both sides of the story.
- If anyone is interested we are meeting at four.

## **Special Orders**

### University Committee Reports

### *Judicial Council Report*

There is a meeting tomorrow at six-thirty and there will be a Justice here next week.

*Bowling Green City Commission Report*  
None.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **Resolution 09-06-F Vending Machines**

This is the fourth reading of this resolution. Johnathon Boles actively read the resolution. The author Tori Theiss stood to speak about the resolution: I apologize for all the confusion last week. I would like to make the contact Marshall Gray. There was a request for Point of Information from Skylar Jordan: Don't you think it needs to be rounded to the nearest dollar? Boles called Jordan out of order. Point of Information from Amanda Allen to Parliamentarian Emilee Bishop: Why wouldn't it be possible to round to the nearest dollar? The Parliamentarian spoke: That would change the whole resolution. Theiss requested a friendly amendment: In the Whereas clause it should say 'to nearest' instead of 'to reasonable'. There was a motion to accept and a second. Point of Information from Lucas Humble: I'm not trying to be a jerk, but wouldn't it make some of the products raise almost a dollar. Allen: It would even out for the company to accept it. Kendrick Bryan motioned to table the resolution. There was a second.

*The resolution was tabled for one week by Senate vote.*

### **New Business**

None.

### **Announcements**

Jonathan Sprowles: Come next week ready to learn. In the seconds it says that Diversity Council meets every Monday; that is a mistake because they meet every other Monday. I will be driving tomorrow, so if you need a ride contact me.

Skylar Jordan: Please dress business casual tomorrow for the rally.

Jeanne Johnson: Stay after if you are going to the rally.

Johnathon Boles: Thank you for coming. See you next week.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm.

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